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SUBJECT: MUGABE DENIES ZIPA INVOLVEMENT IN KILLING OF
RHODESIAN MISSIONARIES

1. ACCORDING TO FEBRUARY 10 NOTICIAS, PATRIOTIC FRONT LEADER
ROBERT MUGABE CATEGORICALLY DENIED THAT ANY ZIMBABWEAN
NATIONALISTS WERE INVOLVED IN THE KILLING OF SEVEN
MISSIONARIES IN RHODESIA EARLIER THIS WEEK. MUGABE
SAID THE NATIONALISTS WERE "INCAPABLE OF SUCH
INHUMANITY" TOWARD RELIGIOUS GROUPS. "THE GUERRILLAS
KNOW WHO OUR ENEMIES ARE AND WHO ARE FRIENDS ARE." "THE
MISSIONARIES HAVE ALWAYS DEMONSTRATED SYMAPTHY WITH OUR
OBJECTIVES." MUGABE ADDED THAT THE NATIONALIST HAD
"HARMONIOUS RELATIONS WITH ALL RELIGIOUS ORGANI-
ZATIONS."

2. MUGABE SAID THAT THE MURDERS WERE CARRIED OUT BY
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RHODESIAN UNITS OF THE SELOUS SCOUTS. THEIR OBJECTIVE,
HE ALLEGED, WAS TWOFOLD: (A) TO DISCREDIT THE CAUSE
OF THE NATIONALISTS IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD, AND
(B) TO ELIMINATE SOME OF THE PROGRESSIVE ELEMENTS STILL
RESIDING IN RHODESIA.
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